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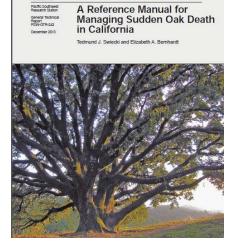
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three chapters: Chapter 1 discusses the epidemiology of SOD in California and includes information on biology of the pathogen Phytophthora ramorum, host-pathogen interactions, disease spread, and environmental conditions that affect disease development. An understanding of these relationships is needed to choose the most appropriate strategies for managing SOD at a given location. Chapter 2 describes how to develop a plan to manage SOD within a stand and how to identify and prioritize areas that may be suitable for SOD management activities. Options for managing SOD are presented by stage in the disease epidemic: before the SOD pathogen has reached a susceptible forest; during the local epidemic, while disease is active in an area and many hosts are still at risk of becoming diseased; and after SOD has killed so many host trees that forest restoration needs to be considered. Chapter 3 provides descriptions of management techniques.

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Description: This publication contains background information and guidance for resource management professionals and landowners to understand and manage sudden oak death (SOD) in California forests. The publication is divided into

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